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*Better Seeds, Bigger Crops*

# TAIT'S THOROBRED SEEDS

*Best by Test for 50 Years*

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## SUDAN GRASS

Introduced from Africa a few years ago, this species of sorghum has become quite popular in the Southwest, where conditions are unfavorable for sowing other grasses successfully. It grows from four to seven feet high, stools remarkably, and can be cut at least three times during a season. It is finer in growth than sorghum, and will produce more and better hay than millet. Being a warm-weather plant, in the latitude of Norfolk it should not be sown before May, or later than July. It is easily mowed, and cures readily. When sowed in drills eighteen inches apart four to six pounds are required to an acre, or about twenty-five when sown broadcast. As it is extremely difficult to tell the seed from that of Johnson Grass, only seed that has been tested for purity and germination should be sown. The seed offered by us has been thus tested. 100 lbs., \$8.00.

## GOLDEN MILLET

Planted largely for early hay crop after potatoes. It matures quickly and leaves the land in good condition for the following crop. The seed we offer is saved from cultivated Millet grown in Tennessee, and cannot be compared with the ordinary Western Millet, which will not yield half the amount of hay per acre. The seed is usually sown during July and August at the rate of 50 to 75 lbs., per acre. The better the land the more seed is required to keep the stalks as small as possible. 100 lbs., \$7.50.

## SORGHUM

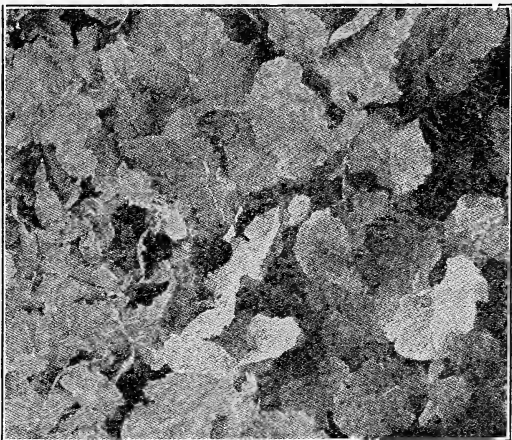
In recent years Sorghum has become popular for quick feed, and on rich land will produce from three to five tons of cured hay per acre. Seed can be sown from June to August and requires from 50 to 75 lbs. per acre.

**Early Amber.** An early productive variety, which grows from eight to ten feet high, the name being taken from the clear amber color of the syrup, which is of the best quality. As a forage plant it is very valuable, and affords on rich soil two or three cuttings during the summer. 100 lbs., \$5.00.

**Early Orange.** This has been found the best variety for stock feeding, since it produces the strongest stalks, and is less liable to lodge than any of the other saccharine sorghums. 100 lbs., \$5.00.

## DWARF ESSEX RAPE

An excellent forage plant, especially for sheep and hogs, and grown extensively for them in Europe though little known in this country until recent years. It grows with wonderful rapidity, being usually ready for pasturage six or eight weeks after sowing, and an acre is said to support a dozen sheep for more than a month, poultry also revelling in it. Almost any soil will grow it, and the yield per acre is simply enormous, more than twenty tons per acre having been often produced on good ground. Stock feeding upon Rape should be supplied with salt freely. Sow from early summer until late fall, putting six pounds to the acre broadcast, or three pounds in drills. We offer the genuine Dwarf Essex, importing it ourselves, which is free from mixture with the inferior annual variety. Lb., 20c. Postpaid. 100 lbs., \$9.00.



**Dwarf Essex Rape.**

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# CRIMSON CLOVER

## The Great Cover and Soil Improving Crop

We are large importers of Choice Crimson Clover and can make attractive prices to large buyers. Get our quotations before buying.

All vacant lands should be seeded with this valuable clover, which grows from 1½ to 3 ft. high, and has long cone shaped dark red blossoms. It makes a splendid cover crop in orchards and excellent fall, winter and spring grazing, being very desirable for dairymen, and for this purpose there is nothing better than a mixture of rye and crimson clover. Sowing is begun during the last of July and continues until the last of October. Farther South it can be sown later. Sown in the furrows of corn and cotton fields at the time of the last cultivation it makes a very valuable soil improver. Prepare the land sometime previous to sowing and wait for a rain, and as soon as the land is dry enough, break the crust with a light harrow, sow the seeds and cover lightly. In dry weather rolling is very helpful. Bu. 60 lbs. Sow 20 lbs. to the acre. 100 lbs., \$8.00.

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Crimson Clover

## POTATOES

**Irish Cobbler.** The most popular early potato in the South and often planted as a second crop for seed. It is a round potato and the flesh is white and of good quality. Our strain of this potato is really unique, and its purity produces a sensation among farmers who have been accustomed to Cobblers which show from ten to thirty per cent of white blossoms.

**Green Mountain.** For home use this large oval-shaped, medium late potato, on the whole is probably the most satisfactory, as it is of exceptionally good table quality, and enormously productive, having few small tubers.

**McCormick.** This potato is sometimes called Hoosier or Northern Peach Blow, and Truckers around Norfolk find that it makes heavier yields than any other sort.

**Peach Blow.** An old favorite, for fall crop only, and planted from the middle of July to the middle of August. The skin is slightly tinged with pink, of an attractive appearance, and one of the best keepers, but of rather poor quality. The seed we offer is Northern grown, and free from disease.

**Rehoboth.** This variety, better known as "Hobo," is becoming very popular for fall crop. It looks somewhat like the Cobbler, a heavier yielder than the Peach Blow, and of better quality.

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# For Bigger and Better Crops

## BEANS



Refugee or 1000 to 1 Beans.

### (Green Podded Varieties)

**Refugee, or 1,000 to 1.** This tender, meaty prolific variety is more largely grown for late crop than any other round green sort. Pods are slender, nearly stringless, and of medium length. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 10 lbs., \$3.25. Postpaid. By express or freight, \$10.00 per bu.

**Stringless Green Pod.** The round, curved pods of this variety are entirely stringless, meaty, and of the best quality. One of the best sorts for the home garden. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 50c; 10 lbs., \$4.00. Postpaid. By express or freight, \$14.00 per bu.

**Red Valentine.** This well known variety does splendidly when planted in mid-summer for late crop, and the quality is unsurpassed. The pods, however, are not stringless. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 20c; lb., 40c; 10 lbs., \$3.00. Postpaid. By express or freight \$9.00 per bu.

### (With Wax, or Yellow Pods)

**Hodson Wax.** This most beautiful of the wax podded beans is practically the only variety used for late planting. The pods are very long, immune to rust, and of splendid quality. Very prolific. Pkt., 15c;  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 10 lbs., \$3.25. Postpaid. By express or freight, \$10.00 per bu.

## BEET

**Early Wonder.** A splendid variety, and recommended to those who like a globe-shaped Beet of deep red color. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 40c; lb., \$1.50. Postpaid.

**Crosby's Egyptian.** Our market gardeners strain of this Beet is unsurpassed, and we recommend it as one of the best sorts for early or late planting. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

**Eclipse.** The roots of this top-shaped Beet are of a bright red color, and the quality is excellent. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

**Detroit.** Where earliness is not of first importance, this Beet will be found most desirable for either home or market. The globe-shaped roots are very dark red, and hold their color. A popular sort for canning. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

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## CABBAGE

**Tait's Extra Early Pilot.** We believe this to be the earliest Cabbage in cultivation, and each year it is becoming more popular. It is fully ten days earlier than the earliest Wakefield. Pkt., 15c; oz., 50c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.50; lb., \$5.00. Postpaid.

**Selected Early Wakefield.** A selection from our true Wakefield that matures a week earlier, but the heads are somewhat smaller. All growers of early Cabbage should have a portion of their crop in this variety. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; lb., \$3.00. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred True Early Wakefield.** Our famous strain of this well known Cabbage is preferred by truckers from Norfolk to Florida. It is earlier, and superior to any stock of this popular variety that we know of, and is undoubtedly one of the best early Cabbages in existence. Where only one variety of Wakefield Cabbage is desired, this will be found the most profitable. Pkt., 10c; oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00. Postpaid.

**Large, or Charleston Wakefield.** A favorite with truckers around Charleston. It is about ten days later than Tait's True Wakefield, but considerably larger. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; lb., \$3.00. Postpaid.

**Golden Acre.** An extra early round head Cabbage that has become very popular in the last two or three years. It is about ten days earlier than Copenhagen Market. Pkt., 15c; oz., 75c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$2.50; lb., \$9.00. Postpaid.

**All Head.** One of the many Long Island selections of Early Flat Dutch, sometimes called Solid South, and characterized by a compact, uniform head. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 90c; 1 lb., \$3.00. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Winter King.** We believe this to be the hardest of all Cabbages, and one of the best of late Flat Dutch types. It resists marvelously the extremes of heat and cold, as well as drought and moisture, and seems immune to the various fungus diseases so destructive to Cabbage. The stem is short, with a hard skin, and the dark bluish-green leaves are noticeable for their thickness and firm texture. Winter King may be successfully used either for a late summer or winter Cabbage. Pkt., 10c; oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Perfection Drumhead Savoy.** Truckers will find this Savoy to be the finest strain yet introduced. The heads are globular, very uniform, and with leaves densely savoyed. Its delicate flavor makes it desirable for home, as well as market. Pkt., 10c; oz., 35c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.25; lb., \$4.00. Postpaid.

## CARROT

**Chantenay.** Considered the handsomest of all Carrots. Our strain of this fine half-long variety is a favorite with all market and home gardeners. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

**Danvers.** A standard stump rooted variety, but not as popular with southern market gardeners as Chantenay. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

## COLLARDS

**Southern Shortstem.** This well-known variety is more largely used for winter greens than any other sort. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

**White Cabbage.** Supposed by many to be an improvement over the Southern Shortstem, and is more attractive, and of finer quality. The inner leaves of this Collard are sometimes very white, and have a tendency to head. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., \$1.00. Postpaid.

## MUSTARD

**Ostrich Plume.** No other sort is nearly so attractive, and it is very productive. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Giant Southern Curled.** A favorite in the South. The leaves are beautifully curled, and of especially good flavor. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

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# Plant Tait's Thorobred Seeds

## KALE

**Tait's Thorobred Dwarf Green Curled Scotch.** A popular variety grown extensively in the South for shipping during the winter. Our strain is very dark green, and the leaves are most beautifully curled. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Dwarf Blue Curled Scotch.** Very similar to the above, except the leaves have a bluish cast, which some growers prefer. Pkt., 10c; oz., 20c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 60c; lb., \$2.00. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Favorite Green Curled.** This early variety of Siberian Kale is very slow in running to seed in the spring, and on this account is especially valuable. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 30c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Norfolk Plain, or Spring Sprouts.** This variety, sometimes called "Hanover", is grown very extensively for local market, and is one of the best sorts for the home garden. Oz., 5c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; lb., 40c. Postpaid.

## LETTUCE

**Tait's Thorobred Big Boston.** A favorite variety along the entire Southern Seacoast. The head is beautifully blanched, and in crisp tenderness is all that could be desired. Pkt., 10c; oz., 15c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 35c; lb., \$1.25. Postpaid.

**New York, or Wonderful.** A variety that has been grown successfully in California for a good many years under the name of "Los Angeles Market", and is becoming popular in the South. The head is exceedingly large, the outer leaves being of a dull dark green color, while the head blanches a beautiful white. Pkt., 10c; oz., 30c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., \$1.00; lb., \$3.00. Postpaid.

## PEAS

**Thomas Laxton.** Gaining ground rapidly every year, the Laxton is now thoroughly established as the best pea for a Fall crop. The pods are dark green in color, the peas themselves are very large, and possess the luscious sweetness of the true sugar peas. We strongly recommend it for general use. Height, 3 ft.  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb., 25c; lb., 45c; 10 lbs., \$3.25. Postpaid. By express or freight, \$11.00 per bu.

## SPINACH

**Tait's Thorobred Bloomsdale Savoy.** The Standard spinach for Southern market gardeners. The leaves are of the darkest green and densely curled or savoyed. Oz., 5c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; 1 lb., 55c. Postpaid.

**Virginia Savoy.** Market gardeners who are bothered with spinach blight have been successful with this new variety where the ordinary Bloomsdale has proven a failure. Oz., 5c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 15c; 1 lb., 55c. Postpaid.

## RUTA BAGAS

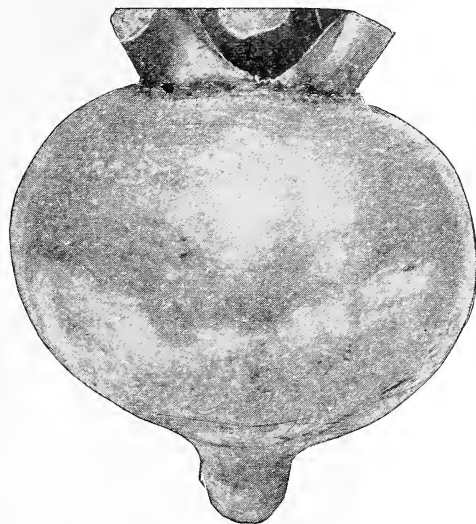
**Tait's Thorobred Globe Shaped.** Entirely devoid of the objectionable "neck" characteristic of most strains, fine grained, and perfect in both color and contour, this is literally the ideal yellow rutabaga. Pkt., 5c; Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Tait's Thorobred Purple Top Yellow.** Our strain of this splendid Rutabaga is remarkably uniform, being nearly free from "neck", and we recommend it unhesitatingly. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Thorobred White Neckless.** For those who prefer white flesh, this will be found a most excellent rutabaga. It forms large, solid, slightly elongated roots of choice quality. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

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## TURNIPS



Tait's Thorobred Purple Top White Globe Turnip.

**Tait's Thorobred Purple Top White Globe.** Considered the most beautiful and most popular turnip for home or market. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Thorobred Pomeranian White Globe.** A handsome turnip of snowy whiteness, uniform in size, and of fine quality. The leaves also make excellent "greens". Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Thorobred Large White Norfolk.** Good for stock or table use. Flesh sweet but coarse. Leaves used for "greens". Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Thorobred White French, or Rock.** One of the very best winter turnips. Flesh fine grained, solid and sweet. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**White Egg.** A handsome egg-shaped variety of rapid growth. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Purple Top Flat Strap Leaf.** Early, white with purple top, medium size and fair quality. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Long White Cowhorn.** A long keeping variety with fine grained sweet flesh. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Seven Top.** Does not make edible roots, but is grown principally for "greens". Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Southern Prize, or Dixie.** This variety like Seven Top is grown principally for "greens". Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 25c; lb., 90c. Postpaid.

**Amber Globe.** Of large size and regular shape. Splendid in quality. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

**Golden Ball.** A medium sized orange fleshed turnip of good quality. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 60c. Postpaid.

**Yellow Aberdeen.** The best known yellow variety. Good for table or stock. Oz., 10c;  $\frac{1}{4}$  lb., 20c; lb., 65c. Postpaid.

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## MISCELLANEOUS FIELD SEEDS

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Mammoth Yellow Soy Beans

## SOY BEANS

Tests of the nutritive value of Soy Beans demonstrate that they are decidedly superior to cowpeas for feeding purposes, and we do not wonder that the demand each year is increasing enormously. It is now recognized as one of the most important forage crops for the South, as well as a nitrogen gatherer of the greatest value. The plant thrives in hot, dry weather, and does equally well on heavy and light soils, leaving the ground in a condition of extraordinary cleanliness, few crops are so good for smothering filth of any kind, and almost any weed can be entirely eradicated by two or three successive years of Soy Beans sowed thickly. Sow either broadcast or in drills from May to July. One to one and a half bushels per acre broadcast, or eight to ten quarts in drills three and one-half feet apart when a crop of matured beans is wanted.

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**Mammoth Yellow.** The most popular of Soy Beans for forage purpose. A little later in maturing than some of the other varieties, but produces large quantities of both forage and seed. It is also used as food. Per bu., \$2.95.

**Mammoth Brown.** Very similar to Mammoth Yellow, except the seed is brown. The distinctive value of this variety is that the beans do not shatter out when ripe. Per bu., \$2.95.

**Wilson.** A black-seeded variety, and one of the earliest and most prolific Soy Beans. A good sort to plant for hay, as it has a small stem, which enables it to cure easily. One of the best varieties for sowing in the North. Per bu., \$3.75.

**Virginia.** Excellent for forage, but a little later than the Wilson. Seed brown. Per bu., \$3.75.

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